



# Indiana Early Learning Advisory Committee

## Evaluation of Child Outcomes Meeting Minutes Summary

December 10, 2015

1:00 – 3:00pm

**Attendees:** Beth Stroh, Dana Jones, Megan Purcell, Kevin Bain, Aliah Carolan-Silva, Beth Barrett, Mary Jane Eisenhauer, and Monica DiOrio,

### Key Topics Discussed

#### ELAC Updates

- The five-year strategic plan will be finalized and unveiled at the January Kickoff Meeting.

#### Kindergarten Readiness Assessment Practices Survey

- Workgroup members reviewed the updated survey results (posted to Wiggio);
- For the purpose of this survey summary, the workgroup decided to continue using “KRA” since the majority of schools performed the assessments *before* Kindergarten. Only a few noted that they performed the assessments after kindergarten within 90 days, which would be a “KEA”;
- Once final edits are made to the summary, the next step will be to share it with ELAC in February and post it online.

#### Head Start Outcomes Summary

- The Indiana Head Start Association (Cheryl Miller) is still waiting on board approval to collect and share aggregate data from Teaching Strategies about Indiana Head Start programs;
- Once there is approval, we can request an aggregate summary report and begin to look at the child outcomes.

#### Early Education Matching Grant (EEMG) Evaluation Summary

- Workgroup members reviewed the draft and made live edits to the document, including making page one the highlights page and adding a chart to page two;
- The workgroup’s response to the EEMG evaluation will be included in the ELAC Annual Report.

### Key Questions Raised

- Is there a sense of any apprehension to use the term “Kindergarten Readiness Assessment” if they [children] aren’t ready for Kindergarten?

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## Action Steps:

- Megan Purcell will make final updates to the EEMG summary and share with the workgroup before submitting for the Annual ELAC Report.

**Next Meeting:** \*Special Annual ELAC Kick-off Meeting on January 14, 2016, 10:00am - 4:00pm at Wayne Township Preschool, 1155 S High School Rd, Indianapolis 46241.

This will replace the workgroup's regularly scheduled meeting in January.

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